

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A hand-held game, comprising:
 - a housing having a front face;
 - a display screen formed in said front face;
 - a first opening in said housing; and
 - a display card visible through said display screen, said display card being insertable and removable through said first opening.
2. A hand-held game according to claim 1, wherein
said first opening is in a top face of said housing.
3. A hand-held game according to claim 1, wherein
a second opening in said housing receives another display card not received in said first opening for use during play.
4. A hand-held game according to claim 3, wherein
said second opening is a pocket secured to a back face of said housing.
5. A hand-held game according to claim 1, wherein
said game is a pinball game.
6. A hand-held game according to claim 5, wherein
an impact sensor in said housing senses movement of said housing and
alters a path of a simulated pinball in said display screen in response thereto.
7. A hand-held game according to claim 5, wherein
a spring-loaded plunger is connected to said housing to launch a simulated pinball into play.

8. A hand-held game according to claim 1, wherein
a battery contained in said housing powers said hand-held game.
9. A hand-held game according to claim 1, wherein
said housing is made of plastic.
10. A hand-held game according to claim 1, wherein
said housing has at least one speaker to provide sound.
11. A hand-held game according to claim 1, wherein
said display screen is an LCD.
12. A hand-held game according to claim 1, wherein
said LCD has a dot matrix portion to display text thereon.
13. A hand-held game according to claim 1, wherein
a printed circuit board is mounted in said housing behind said display card
and said display screen.
14. A hand-held game according to claim 12, wherein
a plurality of LED's visible through said display screen are mounted on
said printed circuit board.
15. A hand-held game according to claim 5, wherein
first and second buttons on said front face of said housing control
simulated flippers of said display screen.

16. A hand-held pinball game, comprising:
 - a housing having a front face and a back face;
 - a display screen formed in said front face;
 - a first opening in said housing;
 - a first display card visible through said display screen; said first display card being insertable and removable through said first opening;
 - a second opening in said housing for receiving a second display card, said second display card being interchangeable with said first display card;
 - and
 - an impact sensor mounted in said housing to sense movement of said housing, wherein a path of a simulated pinball in said display screen is changed when movement of said housing is sensed by said impact sensor.
17. A hand-held pinball game according to claim 16, wherein said first opening is in a top face of said housing.
18. A hand-held pinball game according to claim 16, wherein a spring-loaded plunger is connected to said housing to launch said simulated pinball.
19. A hand-held pinball game according to claim 16, wherein a battery contained in said housing powers said hand-held pinball game.
20. A hand-held pinball game according to claim 16, wherein said housing is made of plastic.
21. A hand-held pinball game according to claim 16, wherein said housing has at least one speaker to provide sound.

22. A hand-held pinball game according to claim 16, wherein said display screen is an LCD.
23. A hand-held pinball game according to claim 22, wherein said LCD has a dot matrix portion to display text thereon
24. A hand-held pinball game according to claim 16, wherein a printed circuit board is mounted in said housing behind said display card and said display screen.
25. A hand-held pinball game according to claim 24, wherein a plurality of LED's visible through said display screen are mounted on said printed circuit board.
26. A hand-held pinball game according to claim 16, wherein said second opening is in a pocket attached to a back face of said housing.
27. A hand-held pinball game according to claim 16, wherein first and second buttons on said front face of said housing control simulated flippers of said display screen.
28. A method of playing a hand-held pinball game; comprising the steps of playing the pinball game with a first display card viewable through a display screen in the housing of the pinball game; removing the first display card through a first opening in the housing; inserting a second display card through the first opening in the housing; and playing the pinball game with the second display card viewable through the display screen in the housing of the pinball game.

29. A method of playing a hand-held pinball game according to claim 28, further comprising
removing the second display card from a second opening in the housing
before inserting the second display card through the first opening; and
inserting the first display card in the second opening after removing the
first display card from the first opening.
30. A method of playing a hand-held pinball game according to claim 28, further comprising
tapping the housing during play to alter a path of a simulated pinball in
said display screen.
31. A method of playing a hand-held pinball game according to claim 30, further comprising
counting the tapping of the housing during play; and
stopping play when a predetermined number of taps has occurred within a
predetermined amount of time.
32. A method of playing a hand-held pinball game according to claim 28, further comprising
pushing first and second buttons on said housing to move simulated first
and second flippers of said display screen.
33. A method of playing a hand-held pinball game according to claim 28, further comprising
pulling and releasing a spring-loaded plunger to launch a simulated pinball
into play.